

TRAFFIC PLAN

Free Trade Area of the Americas

The Miami Police Department Motor Unit will coordinate all traffic detours with the Florida Department of Transportation and the Florida Highway Patrol.

Traffic detours will vary to accommodate daily events. Traffic closures around the conference site will commence no later than 0500 Wednesday, November 19th.

EVENT:

The City of Miami is hosting the Free Trade Areas of the Americas Conference. The event will be held in the Downtown section of the city. The event is expected to attract thousands of attendees, protesters and demonstrators. The Miami Police Department is the primary agency in charge of the event. However, several South Florida Law Enforcement Agencies will be employed for traffic control and public safety concerns.

PROPOSED ROUTE OR AREA OF CLOSURE:

The area between Biscayne Boulevard (S.R. #5) and South Miami avenue/ N.E. 6 Street to S.E. 7th Street.

APPROXIMATE TIMES OF DETOURS AND DETOURS:

The Miami Police Department will commence partial street closures at 3:00pm on Sunday, November 16, 2003. Complete closures will occur on November 19, 2003. Closures prior to November 19th will be as needed and as conditions warrant. We anticipate re-opening all roadways by 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 22, 2003.

DETOURS:

Southbound-State Road #5 Detour: Detour signs will be setup on Biscayne Boulevard at N.E. 12th Street. Southbound traffic will be diverted west on 12th Street to N.E. 2 Avenue. The detour will point south on N.E. 2nd Avenue. At N.E. 6th Street, the traffic on 2nd Avenue will be detoured west to N.W. 1st Avenue. At 1st Avenue, the detour will point south on 1st Avenue to N.W. 2nd Street. Motorist will have the option of continuing south on 1st Avenue or turning left on 2nd Street to get back on southbound Miami Avenue. Motorist will also have the option of crossing the Miami River from S.W. 2nd Avenue. **The traffic flow deviation from North Miami Avenue at 6th Street is in the interest of security around Federal buildings.**

Port of Miami, Bayside Market Place and the American Airlines Arena traffic will be allowed to continue south on Biscayne Boulevard. Should a problem arise, and Biscayne Boulevard becomes un-passable, an alternate route for these locations will be the previously announce detour on N.E. 2nd Avenue. A left turn on 5th Street from Biscayne Boulevard or 2nd Avenue will permit access to these locations. 5th Street will remain open at all times. Traffic east on 5th Street will be allowed to go north or south on Biscayne Boulevard. The entrance to the Port of Miami will remain open at all times. Local traffic will be allowed in all parts of Downtown except those areas designated as **RESTRICTED**. Restricted Areas will require a pass or identification to enter.

Should southbound traffic on Miami Avenue become too congested, an intermittent mandatory detour will force all traffic on 6th street to continue west to N.W. 2nd Avenue, then south across the 2nd Avenue Bridge. When Miami Avenue clears, traffic will be allowed south across the Miami Avenue Bridge.

Northbound State Road #5 Detour: Northbound traffic on Brickell Avenue will be detoured west on 7th Street to South Miami Avenue. At South Miami Avenue traffic will be detoured north across the Miami Avenue Bridge. Miami Avenue will be converted into a two-way traffic to south 1st Street. At south 1st Street, all traffic will be force to go east on S.E. 1st Street to S.E. 1st Avenue. All 1st Street traffic will be diverted northbound on 1st Avenue. Vehicles traveling north on N.E. 1st Avenue will be able to access U.S. 1 (Biscayne Boulevard) from any street north of N.E. 6th Street. Motorist desiring to go to Bayside, Port of Miami and the American Airlines Arena will be permitted to travel east on 5th Street to access these points. A checkpoint will be established at 5th Street and N.E. 1st Avenue.

The alternate route for northbound traffic, should it become necessary, will be to send S.W. 7th Street traffic west to 2nd Avenue and north across the 2nd Avenue Bridge. This change will be utilized whenever Miami Avenue becomes backed up and traffic is not moving.

Periodic adjustments will be made to the traffic flow depending on the circumstances and traffic volume.

Exit Ramps from I-95: The exit ramps from I-95 to Biscayne Boulevard and Miami Avenue will be closed from 6:00 a.m. on Monday, November 17th, 2003 to Saturday, November 22, 2003. The Florida Highway Patrol will handle all closures on I-95. We anticipate opening the ramps by 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 22, 2003.

Should an emergency exist, the area bordered to the west by Miami Avenue, the south by the Miami River, the north by East Flagler Street and

the east by the Bay will be closed. People will only be allowed out of the area.

TOWING:

The Miami Police Department Traffic Unit will be responsible for the towing of illegally parked vehicles. The Miami Police Department will have six (6) class A and B wreckers available for towing. Molina and Kings Wrecker Service will provide three (3) wreckers each. The Miami Dade Police Department will handle all heavy-duty wrecker requests. In addition to the heavy-duty wrecker request, Miami Dade will handle all emergency tows in the area bordered to the west by I-95, to the east by the bay, to the north by S.R. 395 and to the south by 5th Street. Miami Dade's wrecker command station will be at 3rd Avenue and N.W. 14th Street.

The Miami Police Department's Traffic Unit will handle all traffic related calls in the affected area. A traffic command post will be set up under I-95 at West Flagler Street. With the assistance of the Florida Highway Patrol, Miami Motor Officers will do V.I.P. escorts into the restricted areas and to other functions outside the restricted zones. Escort officers will not enter the red zone (Restricted Area). Escorts will terminate prior to entering into the restricted zone.

RECOMMENDED ROUTES INTO RESTRICTED AREAS:

Several streets and buildings will have restricted entry during the conference. The Miami Police Department has recommended several routes into restricted areas. Below is a list of locations within the restricted zones and recommended routes.

- ***Hotel Intercontinental, the Miami Center and the Marriott Hotel:*** The recommended route into the Miami Center and the Intercontinental Hotel is through Biscayne Boulevard Way. Northbound traffic on Brickell Avenue will be allowed across the Brickell Bridge to gain access into these locations. Northbound traffic on South Miami Avenue will be allowed to make a right turn on S.E. 4th Street. They will proceed east to 2nd Avenue. At 2nd Avenue they will be allowed to turn right then left on Biscayne Boulevard Way. Southbound traffic on 2nd Avenue will proceed south to Biscayne Boulevard Way. Southbound traffic on South Miami Avenue will be allowed to turn left on S.E. 4th Street. At S.E. 4th Street, they will proceed east to 2nd Avenue. Southbound traffic on Biscayne Boulevard will be allowed to take the Chopin Plaza access road from S.E. 1st street. **Motorist must pass through a checkpoint.**
- ***Hyatt and Clarion Hotels:*** Northbound traffic on Brickell Avenue will take the northbound detour on 7th Street. They will proceed west to South Miami Avenue. At South Miami Avenue they will turn right and proceed

north across the South Miami Avenue Bridge. A right turn on S.E. 4th Street will gain access to these locations. Southbound traffic on S.E. 2nd Avenue will be allowed to continue south to the front entrance of the Hyatt Hotel. Southbound traffic on South Miami Avenue will be allowed to turn left on S.E. 4th Street. **Motorist must pass through a checkpoint.**

The Wachovia Center and businesses on southeast 2nd Street:
Access to this area will be limited to those that work there or have a reason to go there. The only access to this location will be from the intersection of S.E. 2nd Street and 2nd Avenue. Motorist must observe the announced detours to get to this location. S.E. 2nd Avenue will remain open to 2nd Street. Any traffic that did not take the 6th Street detour will be forced into a mandatory detour west on 2nd Street. A checkpoint will be set up south of the intersection. S.E. 2nd Street will be converted into two-way traffic from Biscayne to S.E. 2nd Avenue.

Should an emergency situation occur that may place the traffic officer in danger on a particular corner or intersection, the officer will notify the Central Command Center and will be advised to clear the post and report to a designated location previously selected. Central Command Center will dispatch the appropriate personnel to handle the problem. Depending on the problem, several traffic officers may be required to leave their post and retreat to a safe zone. **Keeping the streets passable and clear is vital to our overall mission; therefore, officers leaving traffic positions will only be done when the issue is the officer's safety.**

INFORMATION BOARD AND BARRICADES UTILIZED:

- An information board will be placed at State Road #5 (Biscayne Boulevard) at 15th Street, displaying, expect delays ahead. Detour ahead, Downtown traffic only.
- An information board will be placed at State Road #5 (Biscayne Boulevard) and 12th Street, displaying, Bayside, Port of Miami, American Airlines Arena left lane only (Subject to changes). Detour signs will be placed at this location, directing traffic west on 12th Street.
- Detour signs will be placed at N.E. 2nd Avenue and 12th Street.
- Detour signs will be placed at 6th Street and N.E. 2nd Avenue. The detour will point west on 6th Street.
- Detour signs will be placed at 1st Avenue and 6th Street. Signs will point south on 1st Avenue.

- Detour signs will be placed at 1st Avenue and N.W. 2nd Street, pointing east on 2nd Street.
- Detour signs will be placed at North Miami Avenue and 2nd Street, detouring traffic south on Miami Avenue.
- Detour signs will be placed at southeast 2nd Avenue and 2nd Street. Traffic will be diverted west. **(Hard Closure)**
- The exit ramps from I-95 to Biscayne Boulevard and South Miami Avenue will be closed. An information board will be placed on I-95 stating it. The Department of Transportation will post the information on its variable information boards 10 days prior to the closure.
- An information board will be placed at Biscayne Boulevard and East Flagler Street. **(Hard Closure)**
- Detour signs will be placed at Miami Avenue and Flagler Street. This detour points motorists south, across the Miami Avenue Bridge.
- An information Board will be placed south of Coral Way on Brickell Avenue depicting, expect delays, Biscayne Boulevard northbound closed Local traffic only.
- An information board will be placed at Brickell Avenue and S.E. 8th Street depicting, Biscayne Boulevard northbound closed. Restricted area ahead.
- Detour signs will be placed on S.E. 7th Street and Miami Avenue, detouring traffic north across the Miami Avenue Bridge.
- Two-way signs will be placed on South Miami from 4th Street to south 1st Street.
- Detour signs will be placed on 4th Street. Road way closed. **(Hard Closure)**
- Detour signs will be placed on South Miami at south 1st Street. Traffic will be detoured east on 1st Street.
- Detour signs will be placed on 1st Street at S.E. 1st Avenue. Traffic will be detoured north on 1st Avenue. **This will not be a mandatory detour.**
- All traffic traveling east on 1st Street will be detoured north on S.E. 1st Avenue.

- The entrance to Chopin Plaza will be barricaded from 1st Street. **(Hard Closure)**
- An information board, barricades and road closure signs will be placed at Brickell Avenue and S.E. 5th Street. **(Hard Closure)**
- The Florida Department of Transportation Information Board on South Dixie Highway at 17th Avenue will be utilized, warning of long delays, northbound Biscayne Boulevard closed. Take I-95 to avoid Downtown traffic.
- Road closed, local traffic only signs will be posted on the listed streets, east of east 1st Avenue. Biscayne Boulevard Way, S.E. 3 Street, S.E. 2 Street, Traffic cones will be set up to allow 2 way traffic on certain streets.
- Information will be made available to the media advising of our traffic flow plan.
- In addition to the message boards and large detour signs, 250 large traffic cones and 120 barricades will be utilized for the detours.

N.E.S. Traffic Safety will provide barricades for all street closures. The contact person is Ms. Pamela Marmin. Her telephone number is (305) 633-3883.

A traffic command post will be established at West Flagler Street and North River Drive. Several alternative routes will be established should it become necessary to switch routes. The decision to change traffic routes or make modifications will be made by the traffic supervisor in the traffic command post. Whenever a change is made, the central command center will be notified immediately.

The primary mission of the Miami Police Department will be to maintain an entrance and an exit from every business location affected by the events that will occur between November 19th, 2003 through the 21st, 2003.

PLANNED PROTEST MARCH

(November 20, 2003 - 1400 Hours)

On November 20, 2003 protest organizers are planning a march through parts of Downtown. The march is scheduled to begin at 1400 hours. The march will start at Bayfront Park. Marchers will leave the park, traveling northbound in the northbound lanes of Biscayne Boulevard. The march will travel north to S.E. 4th Street. At 4th Street, the marcher will make a U-Turn and proceed south on Biscayne Boulevard in the southbound lanes to 3rd Street.

At 3rd Street, marchers will travel west to N.E. 1st Avenue. At 1st Avenue, marchers will turn right and travel north to 6th Street. At 6th Street, marchers will go west to N.W. 2nd Avenue. At 2nd Avenue, marchers will travel south to N.W. 3rd Street. At 3rd Street, marchers will go east to N.W. 1st Avenue. At 1st Avenue, marchers will go south to N.W. 2nd Street. Once at 2nd Street, marchers will go east to Biscayne Boulevard. At Biscayne Boulevard, marchers will go south to East Flagler Street. At Flagler Street, marchers will make a U-Turn and go north on Biscayne Boulevard in the northbound lanes.

The march will terminate at the entrance to Bayfront Park, approximately 2nd Street.

Assisted by traffic officers posted along the route, Miami Motor Officers will control traffic and lead the march. Every effort will be made to keep traffic disruptions to a minimal.